IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Confirmation No.: 5528

Jean-Marie BUERSTEDDE et al. Art Unit: 1633

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For: Methods for Genetic Diversification in Gene Conversion Active Cells

Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for submitting a response to final office action be extended 1 month, from May 9, 2009 to June 9, 2009, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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